

General Assembly

Committee Bill No. 5578

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Referred to Committee on VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Introduced by: (VA)

## AN ACT ELIMINATING THE FEE FOR ISSUANCE OF PURPLE HEART NUMBER PLATES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 14-20b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2017*):
- 3 (a) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, at the request of any veteran or member of the armed forces, as defined in subsection (a) of
- 5 section 27-103, or the surviving spouse of such veteran or member,
- 6 shall register any motor vehicle owned or leased for a period of at least
- 7 one year by such person and shall issue a special certificate of
- 8 registration and a set of number plates for each such motor vehicle.
- 9 The plates shall expire and be renewed as provided in section 14-22.
- 10 The commissioner shall charge a fee for such plates, which fee shall
- 11 cover the entire cost of making [the same and which] such plates and
- shall be in addition to the fee for registration of such motor vehicle,
- 13 except the commissioner shall not charge a fee for such plates that
- 14 <u>recognize the Military Order of the Purple Heart.</u>
- 15 (b) Any such member of the armed forces who is dishonorably

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- 16 discharged shall return such plates to the commissioner not later than
- 17 thirty days after such discharge. The commissioner shall not renew
- 18 such plates for any motor vehicle owned or leased by any such
- 19 member of the armed forces who is dishonorably discharged.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2017	14-20b

## Statement of Purpose:

To allow veterans, members of the armed forces and surviving spouses of such veterans or members to obtain number plates recognizing the Military Order of the Purple Heart at no additional cost beyond the cost to register a motor vehicle.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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